

McKinney, Texas, Newest L.U. Class Site

Even by Texas standards, the drive in from Sherman to Dallas is a long one: over 70 miles one way. It's particularly long if you have to drive through rush hour traffic to get to a class that starts at 6:00 p.m. Students from Denton and Greenville, both outlying communities some 30 miles from LeTourneau's Educational Center in north Dallas, have it a bit easier, but still must allow for more than an hour to get to class on time.

But those long commutes are a thing of the past for some Metroplex students. After a year of planning and preparation, the first night of instruction for the initial bachelor of science in business management class began Tuesday, January 9 in McKinney, Texas, centrally located to several north Texas cities, including Denton, Sherman, Dennison and Greenville.

Seventeen enthusiastic students met at the Central Park Campus of Collin County Community College, LeTourneau's site in McKinney. This initial class is largely made up of Texas Instrument employees from Sherman.

The location expands our opportunity for ministry within a quality academic program. While losing none of the focus on the LBJ and Bedford sites in Greater Dallas, the University is tapping into a sizable future market. "One of the strengths of LeTourneau's adult programs is that we are able and willing to bring our classes to the students. In recent years, the communities north of Dallas have experienced explosive growth. This location in McKinney will help us more effectively serve the educational needs of North Texas," said Dr. Robert Hudson, dean of graduate, adult and continuing studies.

LeTourneau has 674 bachelor's and master's students studying in locations in the Dallas-Ft. Worth Metroplex.

Internet Continuing Studies Courses Create Flurry of Interest

The great Northeastern "Blizzard of '96" missed Longview by many miles, but the Continuing Studies office, directed by Paula Beach, has been snowed under with registrations for the University's newest non-credit offerings: six courses about the Internet. The courses, each to be taught by Mike Stanfield, director of information technology, have stirred tremendous interest in the area says Beach. "A brief article about the courses appeared in the *Longview News-Journal* and the next day, we had 27 people register for one or more of the courses. Since then, we have continued to be nearly overwhelmed with calls about the courses," she said.

The courses offered are: "Internet Explorer—Introduction to the Internet," "Using the World Wide Web," "Everything But The Web," "The Internet E-mail Workshop," "Doing Research on the Internet," and "Doing Business on the Internet." Each course is 3 clock-hours long and costs \$35.

Each semester, the University offers nearly three dozen continuing studies courses and has gained a strong reputation for the quality of its offerings, particularly in the computer area.

Information on continuing studies courses may be obtained by calling Paula Beach at (903) 233-3208. Beginning this semester, LeTourneau continuing studies course information is also available online on the Internet at <http://www.lctu.edu/>.



The first-ever McKinney students gather for a class photo: (left to right) 3RD ROW: James Mike Livezey, Robert Mike Barnett, Rick Stephens, Ron Lorenz, Barry Reese, John Billingsley, Robert Kolodziej. 2ND ROW: Kathy Jones, Kass Flockezy, Ruth Ann Hill, Gene Ross, Mark Fontz. 1ST ROW: Sheryl Quarterman, Kim Kisloski, Charlene Edwards, John David Dickson, Tom Honea.



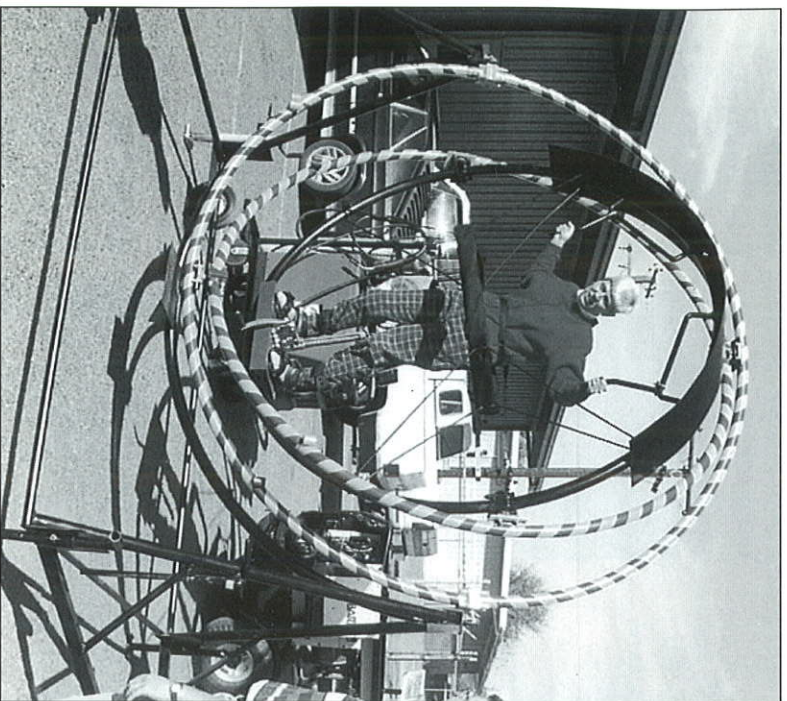
Mike Stanfield, director of information technology, will teach six continuing studies courses about the Internet this spring. Community interest in these courses has, at times, nearly overwhelmed the Continuing Studies office.

Paula Beach Wins National Award

Paula Beach, director of continuing studies, has earned a national award from the Association of College and University Housing Officers (ACUHO) International organization for the "Best Program Proposal" at the national ACUHO convention. Beach earned \$250 for her efforts.

The award was presented for the best program abstract for seminars presented at the National Conference held last November. Beach's program was entitled: "Summer Camps, Creating Year-Round Usage of Your Facilities." Under Beach's direction, LeTourneau's summer camping program has grown to include dozens of athletic and academic camps.

Paula Beach demonstrates the "Orbitron," a three-dimensional teaching tool used in LeTourneau's summer Space Camp. Beach recently won an award for a seminar she presented on LeTourneau's summer camping program.



New

Trustees Appointed

The University welcomes three first-time members and a returning member to the Board of Trustees. All began service on the Board in November 1995.

Rejoining the Board is Deb Robey (ME '80), Tyler, Texas. She previously served eight years as a member.

Rob Bryant (BM '93, MBA '95), Crowley, Texas.

Rob is the alumni representative to the Board and also serves as president of the University's Alumni Association.

Foy Meyer, Tampa, Fla., is director of special projects, technical services division, for the Coca-Cola Company.

Ruth Tucker (HI '69) Grand Rapids, Mich., is visiting professor at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and author of more than a dozen books.

Five Alumni Receive Statewide Honors

Five LeTourneau alumni have been included in a list which recognizes outstanding graduates from the 35 Texas independent colleges and universities. They were part of a group of 105 men and women who were honored by *Fund Features*, the official publication of the Texas Independent College Fund.

❖ **L.V. "Bud" McGuire, '65 (Industrial Engineering).** Oklahoma City, Okla. Senior Vice President of operations for Gulf of Mexico Region Kerr-McGee Corporation.

❖ **Fred Steudler, Jr., '64 (Industrial Engineering).** Conestoga, Pa. Engineer, Vallorbs. He invented a revolutionary poultry drinking system which is used in approximately 95 percent of all commercial poultry farms in the world. It is marketed in all but two nations of the world.

❖ **John Wormeli, '64 (Welding Engineering).** Willis, Texas. Northwest Inspection Services. He was the senior welding engineer in charge of the Alaska Pipeline construction project (1970-73) and is one of the nation's foremost authorities on pipe welding.

❖ **Christopher Doan, '67 (Aviation Technology).** Edina, Minn. Vice President, Technical Operations, Northwest Airlines.

❖ **Robert Bryant, '93 (Business Management).** Crowley, Texas. Paralyzed from the neck down, he is listed in the Guinness Book of World Records for the longest distance ever traveled on a wheeled rowing machine (L.A. to Washington, D.C.—3,280 miles) and is the world-record holder (paraplegic) in the long distance walk on braces and crutches.

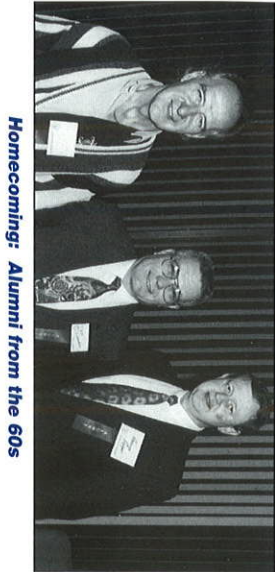
Alumni Update



Homecoming (left to right): Elton Archer (Ma's '49), Melvin Nolen (ME '58), John House (ME '52), David Newcerial (ME '54) and Fay Livers (Ma's '53) represented alumni from the late 40s and early 50s at Homecoming in November.



Homecoming: Alumni from the mid to late 50s



Homecoming: Alumni from the 60s

Daryl (AT '69) and Marlene Bussett are celebrating their 20th year with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Jim Boyle (BI '74) was promoted to Major as an Army chaplain and celebrated his 20th anniversary in the military. He is currently stationed in Ft. Bragg, N.C.



Dan Bergen (ET '74) is now living in the Denver area working for Lockheed Martin Corp.

Martha "Moon" Miller (MA '75) had a kidney transplant on 1/25/96. She received a kidney from her brother, Tim Moon (ME '79).

Conant (MI '78) and Janice ('76-'77) live in Las Cruces, N.M., where Conant is a law enforcement chaplain for three law enforcement agencies there.

'80 is now the pastor of Coldspring United Methodist Church in Coldspring, Texas.

Bruce (WT '81) and Patty Norman had their first child, Loryn Sierra, on 4/4/95.

Barbie Knickerbocker have been in Okinawa, Japan, as tentmakers since 1984. Their ministry includes teaching conversational English, Bible and scheduling retreats.

Jon Todd (BU '82) suffered a farming accident on 9/29/95 and had his right arm amputated. He and his family are adjusting, but they need your prayers. The Todds live in Manitoba, Canada.

Jim (AT/BU '82) and Nancy Walter announce the birth of Annalie Marie on 12/7/95.

Stephanie "Derksen" (AC '83) and Steven Balgaard had their third boy, Benjamin, on 9/8/95.

Amy (RE '83) "Balsbaugh" and Clay Henry announce the birth of their second son, Nathan Michael, on 11/23/94.

Kevin (IM '84) and Bunny Brownlee had their first child, Kalice Ann, on 1/3/95.

Lowell (AT '84) and Gail Deering received a Thanksgiving blessing with the 11/24/95 arrival of Tobin Joel.

Andrew Eagleton (AT '84) has been transferred to the Air Support Unit of the Phoenix Police Department. He also wants everyone to know that his daughter, Molly, was born 7/20/95.

Don (RE '84) and Trudy Norman are pleased to announce the birth of Abraham Merle on 7/21/95.

Ed (ET '84) and Sally Norman had their first child, Zachary Edward, on 10/19/95.

David L. Rowley (EE '84) married Christine Martin on 5/13/95.

David Berge (WT '85) has a new job in Chanhassen, Minn., as a Business Unit Director for Rosemount Measurement Division. He is married to Karen "Shumaker" (MI '79-'83).

Dan (ME '85) and Carolyn Fauber had their first child, Daniel Champion, on 10/19/95.



Mike Mahan (AT '85), Huntington, Beach, Calif., married Tracy Brown on 1/20/96.



Homecoming: Alumni from the early 80s

When Mike Mahan graduated in 1985 he vowed that Dr. Ken McKinley, now professor emeritus, would perform his wedding ceremony. Almost 11 years later, on Jan. 20, 1996, Dr. McKinley did indeed officiate at Mike's wedding.



Joining Ken (standing) and Mike (second from left) for the very special occasion were three other L.U. alumni: Mark Jones ('82) (left), Don Francis ('82) and Tommy Frantz (MT/AT '87) (right).

Bernie ('86) and Lois (CSE '88) Meier will be living in Stockholm, Sweden, for the next two years on assignment with Bernie's employer, Ericsson.

Scott (CSE '85) and Carla Nichols have moved to Vienna, Va., after living in Germany for 3 years. Scott is a contractor for Quality Systems Inc.

Scott (MT/AT '87) and Melissa Ericson were blessed with another daughter, Amie Kathryn, on 7/23/95.

Roger Gingerich (AT '87) is now with Air Serv International in Mozambique.

Roger (MET '87) and Robyn Richardson had their second child, Hannah Lynn, on 9/30/95.

Heidi "Otto" Swartz (BI '87) has been promoted to Graphics Coordinator in the marketing department at Dynacare Laboratories in Seattle, Wash.

Rick (MT '87) and Cathy (MA '87) Weeks had a second child, Jennifer Catherine, on 7/31/95. She was welcomed home by brother Andrew.

Terry (BI '87) and Jill ('86-'87) Zeitlow had a baby on 7/21/95. Her name is Margaret Elizabeth.

Keith (AT '88) and Kimberly Anderson announce the birth of Marc Daniel on 11/21/95.

Scott (ET/AT '90) and Valina Hansen had their second child, Scott Stephen, on 11/15/95.

Mike (AT '88) and Jodi (AMT/EN '91) Bunn work with Mission Air/YWAM in Brazil. They want to know if anyone has a Cessna 206 on amphibian floats for their work in the Amazon. If you have one sitting in your backyard, fax them at 011-69-233-3750.



Becky "Holladay" and Bill Robinson with Emory Lee.

Matthew (EE '88) and Beth Ide had their first child, Megan Elizabeth, on 7/29/95.

Melaine (DT '88) "Holladay" and Dan (ATBS '89) Janssen wish to announce the birth of their second child, Jakob Paul on 11/12/95.

Becky (EN '90) "Holladay" and Bill Robinson are enjoying their first child. Emory Lee was born 9/23/95.



Todd Stout (MT '93) and Carolyn Hawthorne were married on 11/18/95 in Longview, Texas.

Kevin (EE '90) and Ruth Stoddard along with their 3 daughters were featured in the 11/19/95 issue of USA Weekend magazine. The magazine highlighted family values and the Stoddards discussed teaching responsibility to their children.

Alesky Kuvshnikov (ET/AT '88) married Beth Ann Hanson on 10/7/95 in Lancaster, Pa.

Ken Parfitt (ET '88) is now a Test Engineer with Harris RF Communications in Rochester, N.Y.

Allan Griffin (AMT '89) married Amanda Flake on 11/11/95 in Little Rock, Ark.

Brett Helbig (CSE '89) now works for GORCA Systems, Inc. in Cherry Hill, N.J. as a Systems Engineer.

Dean Thomas (MT/AT '90) moved to Wichita, Kan., to work as a Production Support Engineer with Cessna Aircraft.

Adrian (ATBS '92) and Donna Bonilla had their third child, Stephen Paul, on 11/20/95.

James (DT/BM '91, '93) and Rebekah "Burk" (DT '91) Lundquist announce the birth of son Robert on 11/6/95.

Jeff Secor (ME '92) married Amy on 7/21/95.

Jima (BM '93) and Tim Alexander are pleased to announce the arrival of Bethany Paige on 8/25/95.

John A. Lewis

(ET '93) has completed Navy basic training in Great Lakes, Ill.

Seth Butner

(BU/AT '94) is now working for Cessna Aircraft in Wichita, Kan., as an engineer.

Mark W. Davis

(CST '94) and Dawn Watkins were married on 11/11/95 in Brownsburg, Ind.

Paul Kinch (AT

'94) was married to Amy Selden on 12/2/95 in Longview, Texas.

Rena LaRue (AC

'94) and Randall Timms (AC '95) were married 9/16/95 in Kilgore, Texas.

Matthew A.

Smith (ATFL '95) is living in Rosamond, Calif., where he works for West Coast Air Center as a Flight Instructor/Mechanic.

Search on for New Alumni Director

Director of Alumni Relations, John Galiano, will be leaving LeTourneau University this spring to pursue other opportunities. We have deeply appreciated John and his contribution to the University. John's cheerful disposition and his rapport with you, our alumni, will be missed!

The search is on for a new alumni director. This is a full-time administrative position. We are praying that God will raise up a qualified person from our own alumni ranks; someone who already knows and loves LeTourneau and its graduates. If you would like to apply, or know of an alum you would like to recommend for this position, please contact Jim Hughey, vice president of university advancement. A search committee has been formed to review all applications and recommend a new Director by mid-summer. We appreciate your comments and suggestions.

KEEP IN TOUCH!

Send us news of what's happening in your life. Don't be left out.

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the Internet at
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WANTED DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

We invite you to submit nominations for our 1996 Alumnus of the Year or Distinguished Alumni awards.

Candidates should demonstrate a strong personal faith in Christ as well as service to their profession, church, community or LeTourneau University.

Contact the Alumni Office for nomination forms. Deadline for nominations is September 1.

You Can Host an Alumni Meeting as Easy as 1,2,3.

Toss the confetti! Throughout 1996, LeTourneau Alumni are gathering to celebrate our 50th anniversary, share memories, network, and above all, encourage and pray for each other.

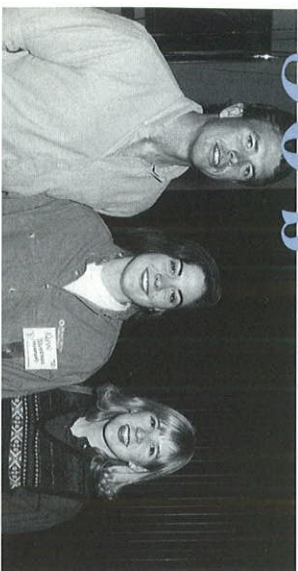
And you can play an important part in making this happen. We invite you to host an alumni meeting in your area. Alumni meetings can be a gathering in your home, a picnic, a potluck, or a formal banquet. Getting an alumni meeting together is as easy as 1, 2, 3. Here's all you need to do:

1. Call Kendall Harper at 1-800-259-ALUM to let us know you want to help.
2. We will work with you to arrange the date, location, type of gathering and other details.
3. Invite your fellow alumni to join you for a time of wonderful fellowship and reminiscing. It's that easy! Give us a call soon. We're looking forward to hearing from you.



It's time to celebrate our 50th anniversary! We invite you to host an alumni meeting in your area this year.

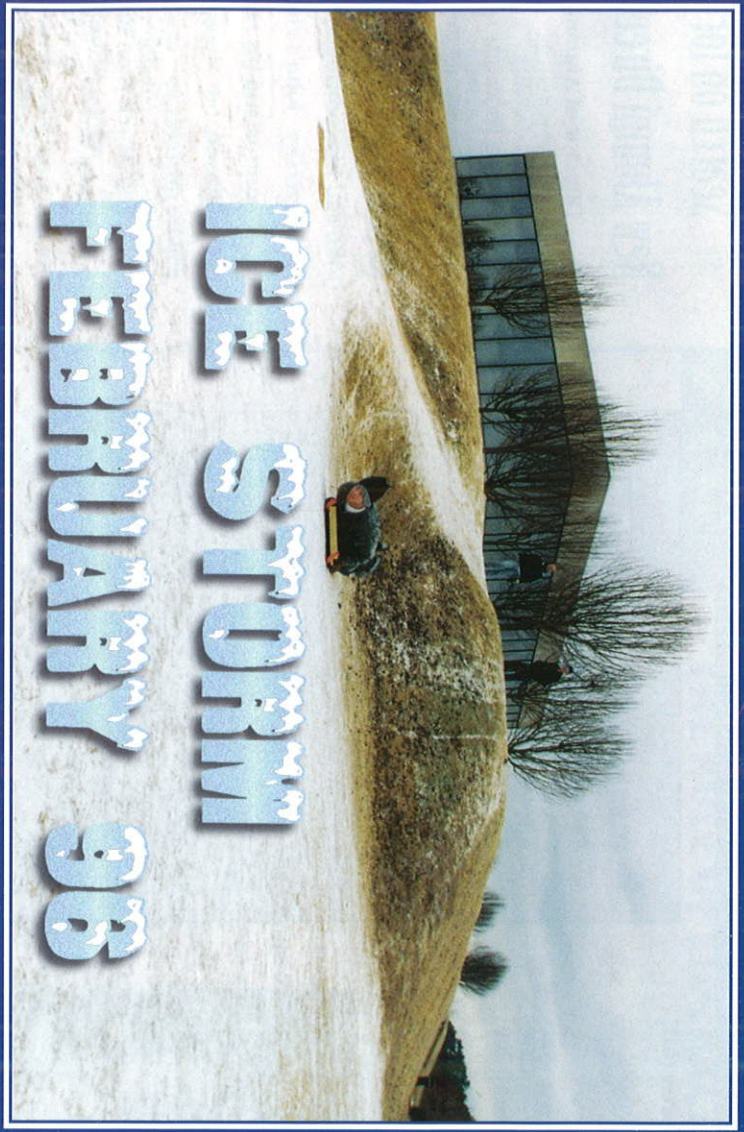
90's



Homecoming: Alumni from the late 80s/early 90s

Albert (EE '90) and Judith Elcock announce the birth of Aaron Joseph on 9/28/95.

Carol (BM '92) and Sal Aleguas had a baby girl, Olivia Galonelle, on 11/7/95.



A rare February ice storm caused classes to be cancelled and gave students an unexpected day off. Sleds, pieces of cardboard and old Dining Hall trays were enlisted to slide down the Memorial Student Center berms.

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Four (Not So) Good Reasons to Put off Making a Will

Here's a one-question quiz:

"What is something everyone agrees they need to do, but most people never actually get around to doing?"

If you answered "making a will," you have earned yourself an "A." There are all kinds of reasons why people put off making a will. Some of the reasons must seem pretty logical, because most people die without one. Unfortunately, many just fail to plan, or they buy into one of these arguments:

#1. "I don't have enough property." Each of us has property worthy of distribution to someone -- a bank account, a car, furniture, or tools. Even if everything were sold at an estate auction, it would bring more than you might think.

#2. "My property is in joint names." This can be a dangerous trap and is no excuse for not having a will. In case of common disaster or if the other joint tenant predeceases you, the court will have to decide how to distribute the assets.

#3. "My spouse will get everything anyway." This is a dangerous assumption. Without a will in some states, your children may share equally with the spouse in your estate.

#4. "The court can choose the best personal representative and a caring guardian for my minor children." Think again. Do you really want a government official whom you don't even know to decide your children's future?

**LOGICAL REASONS? . . .
NOT HARDLY.**

Yet these excuses are affirmed year after year as people continue to put off the minor inconvenience of making a will.

These excuses are more than just curiosities of our modern times. Similar excuses have been a source of procrastination for centuries. King Hezekiah who reigned in Judah was sick and near death. Before the Lord graciously extended his life, God used the prophet Isaiah to send a special message. In II Kings 20, God said, "Set your house in order, for you shall die, and not live." God sent this compelling instruction even though He eventually granted Hezekiah another fifteen years of life. Of course, Hezekiah need not have waited for the illness to take action, but Scripture indicates he did respond to the Lord's urgent warning. I believe this Old Testament example teaches us a principle of stewardship. We are wise to get our personal affairs in order and prepare for the eventuality of death, even while we expect the Lord to bless us with many more years of life.

Why not take action now? Putting a distribution plan in place is just too important to delay. Your family will appreciate it, and you will know you've taken care of this important stewardship responsibility. A well-trained attorney who specializes in estate planning can help arrange your plan. Before you meet with your professional advisor, we can visit with you or provide time-saving information to help make the best use of your attorney's time. Simply complete and return the reply form below.

(Clip this reply coupon and mail to the address listed below or call John at 1-800-259-LETU.)

DEAR FRIENDS AT LETOURNEAU:

☐ Please send me information about making a will.

☐ Please call me about a personal visit or other assistance.

☐ I have already provided a bequest for LeTourneau University. Please send me information about the LeTourneau University Heritage Club.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____ Telephone: _____

Mail to:

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